

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): T. SAITO et al  
Serial No.: 09/850,162  
Filed: May 8, 2001  
For: A SEMICONDUCTOR INTEGRATED CIRCUIT DEVICE  
AND A METHOD OF MANUFACTURING THE SAME  
Group: 2812  
Examiner: R. POMPEY

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**REQUEST FOR COMPLETE OFFICE ACTION AND FOR THE  
RE-STARTING OF THE PERIOD FOR RESPONSE**

Commissioner For Patents  
Washington, D. C. 20231

April 17, 2003

Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of the Final Office Action dated January 17, 2003. In connection with a detailed review of the Office Action, it is noted that the "Further Supplementing Amendment" which was filed considerably prior thereto, namely, on October 10, 2002, is not indicated in the Final Office Action as having been considered. (The date of completion of the Office Action by the Examiner, as noted on the bottom of page 4 of the official action, was January 13, 2003 and the actual mailing date thereof was January 17, 2003.) In that regard, it is noted that the first page (form PTO-326) of the Final Office Action mentions the first-filed Supplementing Amendment of September 12, 2002 but, however, has no mention of the "further Supplementing Amendment" of October 10, 2002. The further Supplementing Amendment includes a minor revision to original claim 13 as well as the further addition of new claim 58. Also, the listings of the claims pending/status thereof on form PTO-326 as well as the "Detailed Action" portion of the Final Office Action make no mention of claim 58.

Accordingly, applicants, through their undersigned representative, respectfully request that a completed substitute Office Action be mailed, responding not only to the Amendment of September 3 and Supplementing Amendment of September 12, 2002 but, also, to the "Further Supplementing Amendment" of

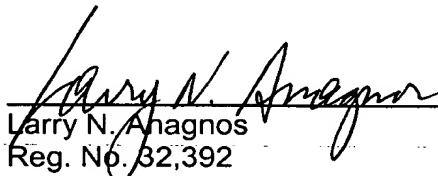
October 10, 2002. Moreover, it is respectfully requested that the period for response be re-started as of the mailing date of the new Office Action. Consistent with USPTO policy, it is respectfully requested that the new period for reply be set for at least one (1) month from the date of mailing of the Corrected (Substitute) Office Action, although extendible. (MPEP §710.06.)

As evidence that the above-referred to "Further Supplementing Amendment" of October 10, 2002 was, in fact, filed, enclosed herewith (as **Attachment A**) is a photocopy of a dated postcard receipt from the USPTO Technology Center 2800 pertaining thereto.

The USPTOs early consideration regarding this matter will be greatly appreciated. In that regard, in order to avoid any further delays in connection with the prosecution of the above-identified application, enclosed herewith as **Attachment B** is a copy of the filed "Further Supplementing Amendment" of October 10, 2002 for the Examiner's convenience, in case the originally filed paper may have been lost or misplaced.

If any costs are due in connection with the filing of this paper, please charge the same to the Deposit Account of Antonelli, Terry, Stout & Kraus, LLP, Dep. Acct. No. 01-2135 (501.39868X00), and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,  
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Papers filed herewith on October 10, 2002

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Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the papers filed as indicated in connection with above identified application.

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